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Sen. Gounardes: Trump's Decision to Revoke Approval for Empire Wind 1 is a Slap in the Face to New Yorkers

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*New York State Senator Andrew Gounardes issued the following statement today in response to the Trump Administration's decision **to revoke approval** for the Empire Wind 1 renewable energy project in Brooklyn:*

“The Trump Administration’s decision to revoke approval for Empire Wind 1 is a slap in the face to New Yorkers. Empire Wind 1 isn’t just about power generation—it’s about powering our economy with thousands of good-paying union jobs, apprenticeships for our young workers, and billions in economic investment in neighborhoods like Sunset Park and Red Hook.

“This project was fully permitted years ago. Shovels were already in the ground, creating jobs, before the federal government stepped in to pull the rug out from under us. This is an attack on New York’s energy sovereignty by a Trump Administration hell-bent on stopping the progress we’ve made toward energy independence and economic opportunity in working-class communities like the ones I represent.

“I will not sit quietly while this administration blocks the path toward affordable energy, resilient infrastructure, and jobs that support families.”

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